

1947 Slogan Postmark To Commemorate 100 Years Of U.S. Stamps

To advertise the hobby of philately in a way and on a scale never before attempted by any group of collectors in this country is an idea suggested by the Postal Cancellations Society, the oldest and largest society interested in twentieth century postal markings. They have requested the POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT to authorize the use of special canceling machine dies during 1947 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the first authorized United States postage stamp. A reply from the Third Assistant Postmaster General states...the suggestion has been carefully noted and will be borne in mind.

By having a slogan such as: "100th ANNIVERSARY / U.S. POSTAGE STAMP / 1847-1947" appearing as the cancellation of a commemorative stamp with an 1847 motif on most of the letters sent through the mail should bring our hobby before the public eye so intimately that every branch of philately should benefit from its adoption. It is the hope of this society that philatelists in general...whatever your collecting interests...will agree with, support and cooperate to the extent of sending a letter to the POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT urging the authorization of this postmark for the entire year of 1947 and that every post office having a machine cancel should receive a slogan device. We urge you strongly to send your letter at once. If any reader of this article has a suggestion or a design for the commemorative postmark...it will be greatly appreciated. Send them to either the chairman of publicity, Stephen G. Hulse, Sutter Road, Glenshaw, Pa., or the president of the society, John Y. Pennypacker, 1013 W. Lehigh Avenue, Philadelphia 33, Pa.

Cancellation collectors who feel they would like to support this project by joining the society...which aims to serve the interests of the beginner as well as the more advanced collector...will be gladly welcomed, and may secure an application for membership from either of the above named officers. A sample copy of our monthly magazine CANCELLATIONS covering such fields as: postmarks, war covers, censor markings, RPO's flag cancels, meters, meter slogans, slogan postmarks, etc., will be gladly sent upon request.

Exhibition And Bourse At Fleetwood, Penna.

The East Penn Collectors Club of Fleetwood, Pa., will hold its annual exhibition and bourse in the lobby of the Fleetwood Fire Hall on March 28, 29, 30th. The exhibit will be open Friday evening, Saturday afternoon and evening and on Sunday afternoon.

All collectors are invited, admission is free. A prospectus and other details concerning the show may be had by addressing the secretary, Harold Rothermel, 301 E. Main Street, Kutztown, Pa. or the chairman of the show committee J. Warren Himmelburger at Fleetwood, Pa..

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PREVIEW OF NEW ZEALAND PEACE ISSUE

Advance photographs of the coming New Zealand Peace stamps are at hand from the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs of New Zealand. The pictures bear out the advance information concerning this splendid set and we anticipate a great pleasure in looking at such a splendid and colorful set and in adding it to our collection.

The set is scheduled for sale in New Zealand on March 1st and we anticipate receipt of covers and stamps within a short time now. The letter enclosing the Photos came by Air Mail and was posted in New Zealand on February 14th. Thus it took this letter 12 days by airmail so that you who are anticipating these stamps by air mail should look for them around the 15th of March.

As it has been previously announced, the 1, 2, 6 and 8 penny values are also to be overprinted for use in Niue, Cook Islands and Western Samoa. The New Zealand set is of eleven values with a face of four shilling and four pence. The four overprinted values amount to 1 shilling and 5 pence; multiplied by three for the three islands this comes to another 4 shillings and three pence, a total face for the 23 stamps in the issue of eight shillings and seven pence.

Following are the illustrations with brief details concerning each of the eleven different stamps.



1/2d. Lake Matheson and the Southern Alps. Horiz. rect. 37 x 21 mm. 120 to the sheet (8x15). Centre: deep green; Border: brown purple. A beautiful and peaceful New Zealand scene—and a fitting introduction to a Peace series of stamps.



1d. Parliament Buildings with inset portrait of King George VI. Horiz. rect. 25 x 21 1/2 mm. 240 to the sheet (20x12). Bright green.—Signifying adherence to consti-

tutional methods of Government.



1 1/2d. The Dome of St. Pauls, London, in a V-shaped frame with laurel leaves and the Union Jack in the background. Vert. rect. 21 1/2 x 25 mm. 160 to the sheet. Signal red.—A tribute to the people of Britain.



2d. The Royal Family. Horiz. rect. 25 x 21 1/2 mm. 240 to the sheet (20 x 12). Royal purple—"In peace, long may they reign."



3d. R. N. Z. A. F. badge and aeroplanes. Horiz. rect. 37 x 21 mm. 120 to the sheet (8x15). Centre: N. Z. Air Force blue; Border: Grey green. A tribute to the Royal New Zealand Air Force and illustrating transition from war to peace.



4d. Army badge, with dessert and farm scenes, Horiz. rect. 37 x 21 mm. 120 to the sheet (8x15). Centre: Bronze green. Border: orange. A tribute to the Army in its various Branches.



5d. Navy badge with Warship and Trader. Horiz. rect. 37 x 21 mm. 120 to the sheet (8x15). Centre: green; Border: deep ultramarine. A tribute to the Navy and

Mercantile Marine.



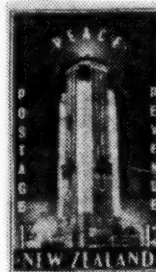
6d. N. Z. Coat of Arms, with workshop and rural scenes. Horiz. rect. 37 x 21 mm. 120 to the sheet (8x15). Centre: Chocolate; Border: Scarlet Vermillion. A tribute to all workers on the home front.



8d. The stained glass window of the Wellington College Memorial Hall. Vert. rect. 21 x 37 mm. 120 to the sheet (15x8). Centre: Black; Border: crimson. A tribute to the youth of New Zealand.



9d. The Southern Alps and the Franz Josef Glacier as seen through the Chapel window at Waiho Gorge. Horiz. rect. 37 x 21 mm. 120 to the sheet (8x15). Centre: Pale ultramarine. Border: Black. Representing a spirit of thankfulness for the saving of our way of life.



1s. National Memorial Campaign, Wellington, 21 x 37 mm. 120 to the sheet (20x6). Blue gray. This outstanding memorial of the last war is a fitting symbol of remembrance of the fallen in both wars.

The stamps were designed by M. J. Berry, Wellington, who has designed previously a considerable number of New Zealand Stamps.

SHERMAN STAMP CLUB OF LANCASTER O., REORGANIZES

About a dozen collectors met in the Sherman Armory, which is the temporary YMCA headquarters and reorganized the Sherman Stamp Club which was disbanded shortly after the war started. Jas. McCracken as President, P. F. Hammond as vice-president, D. S. MacIntosh, secretary-treasurer, P. A. Parker as Junior Club Organizer and Advisor were the officers selected. Regular meeting dates have not yet been selected but will be announced later. The Club's chief aim will be to promote Philately among the Junior stamp collectors of Lancaster, Ohio and Fairfield County.

P. S. S. 1946 Convention In Columbus In Aug. Is At Hotel Seneca

Ralph J. Guda President of the Central Ohio Precancel Club announces that the Precancel Stamp Society has accepted the Ohio Club's invitation and that the 24th annual Convention will be held August 8-11th, Hotel Seneca Columbus, Ohio. Columbus being a convention city it is not a matter of being choicy in Hotels but Hotel Seneca was the first choice of the Central Ohio Club and they feel very fortunate that they secured this fine hotel for the first Post-war Convention of the Precancel Stamp Society.

Already a convention Committee has been appointed, K. M. Gierhart of Baltimore as Chairman has asked C. W. Sachs of Columbus to manage the Bourse.

George W. Dean of Columbus as Exhibition manager, C. H. Miller of Dayton as program and Advertising Mgr. D. S. Kelly of West Milton, O., as Auction Manager and R. J. Guda Committee Treasurer. The gentlemen have pledged their aid in the myriad of details necessary to make a Convention a convention.

Hotel Seneca, just four long blocks from Broad and High, which means the Center of Ohio and Columbus, is located just out of the hustle and bustle of downtown Columbus yet close enough for walking to any downtown theater or store. The Hotel offers a fine large Ball Room for the exhibition and Bourse and adjoining rooms for meetings trading and the like.

The exhibition at this writing seems to shape up as an invitational affair. Since only 80 frames are available and the time was not sufficient to make arrangements for more frames or the many details of a competitive exhibition. The best in PRE-CANCELS will be shown.

Proposes A Stamp For Army Chaplains

February 17 to 24 was known as American Brotherhood week. Daily newspapers carried a large advertisement soliciting funds and the theme of the picture in this advertisement was the four army Chaplains who gave their chance for life to four men on the transport Dorchester who were without life jackets.

The Dorchester was sunk by a German Torpedo on February 3, 1943 and the picture shows the four Chaplains, two of them Protestant ministers, a Catholic and a Rabbi as they stood by the rail of the ship, arms locked, awaiting their plunge to certain death, since they had given their life belts to others.

Jesus did no more when He gave His only Son. The picture used in the advertisement referred to would make a splendid subject for a stamp dedicated to these men who played such an important role throughout the world, with our fighting forces.

Thanks to Clyde G. Wright of Hagerstown, Md., for the clipping of the above picture to which we refer.

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See OUR LARGE AD ON PAGE 5

Collection Of France Exhibited By President Domanski Of S.P.A.

At the France and Colonies group, of the New York area members, President Vincent Domanski Jr. of the S.P.A. showed his extensive new collection of France for the first time. Begun as recently as mid-1944, this collection has attained remarkable completeness despite the owner's very rigid insistence upon perfect condition for all stamps put into it.

In the 19th Century portion special attention has been given to

showing all the color-variations which are from printings of known date, and to show striking and interesting cancellations. The 20th Century portion consists mostly of unused material, plus covers showing first day, special or exposition use.

The collection is unusual in that it includes two full albums of the Postal Stationery, substantially complete. The Pneumatic Tube Telegram cards, including the rare Marseilles one, are all shown.

Mr. Domanski is best known for his collections of the Slavic Language Countries, and particularly for his early Poland. In this new field he has already built up a collection that entitles him to high rank.

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Hoovers Sixth Supplement to the 29th edition Bureau Catalog at hand. This is a cumulative list and therefore is really handy in that all new items not in the 29th edition are right in front of you at a glance in this list. It is free to purchasers of the catalog. Ask for your copy. I note six new items for this month. Town collecting is still going strong as your editor predicted it would some months ago. Town collecting is a natural. One precancel from each town or city and you have it. No need for a catalog, no need to know types just an album and some precancels and you have a start for a town collection. Arrange to suit you. Of course a style chart and the advice of some precancel collector or dealer will help you keep the collection free from Pseudo-precancels near precancels and the like that the novice sometimes encounters. TOWN collecting is taking the next notch to Bureau Prints. Tell your friends I said so.

The Southern Calif. Bulletin in with a 1c Lawnsdale Calif. pre-can. It was a large edition. Hope sometime the OHIO precancel collectors can get out a large Bulletin like that. It must take a

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lot of work. The Central Ohio Precancel Club meets Sunday, March 17, 1:00 P.M. Seneca Hotel, Columbus, Ohio. All precancel collectors are welcome.

Some facts about the new U-17 plate from Indianapolis. The reason there was a change made just before the U-17 type was that the old plates were made to fit the flat plate perf. 11 stamps and the rotary press sheets were just a little larger and no matter how they tried they still would not fit. A plate was prepared similar to the one that had been in use for years but no allowance was made for DATING and the firm using the bulk of precancels in Indianapolis complained and the Dept. ordered a new plate which was shipped from Washington. I understand the other plate was made up locally. Most values up to the 6c have been seen. I have the 1c, 6c, and 12c ---- what values have you seen?

VOX POP

The article in your Feb. 21 issue about crazy collectors and an "irked" Philatelic Agency was of much interest to me. While I fully agree with you that the hobby can be carried to the extreme, and certainly was in the case mentioned, yet it is equally true that the grade of the Agency material has been steadily lowered during the last couple of years.

But it is especially the latest Agency ruling that I as an ordinary collector wish to voice my objection to.

I have been a steady customer of the agency for the past nine years or so. I am personally far more concerned about getting good material than I am about speedy service. But in the last year and a half I have in every single order (except two) averaging 8 to 12 sheets received 4 to 5 sheets which certainly could not (or should not) have been classified as Agency stock as they were even poorer centered than those which could be obtained at the local Post Office. And not alone was the material poor but the Order was so frequently filled in non-conformity with the request as to make one wonder if it was done on purpose in order to force the collector to spend still more postage in returning the material for exchange. I might say here that exchanges were usually made to my satisfaction—which further proves that it was not for the lack of proper material that the order was improperly filled the first time.

Up to the time of the Coast Guard issue I was able to return the sheets and have them replaced satisfactorily. But then the Agency called my attention to a new ruling just then adopted, under which the collector has to accept whatever the Agency dishes out, right or wrong. And from my experience there are plenty outright mistakes. So, from now on, whatever wrong material a man receives he cannot have the error corrected nor his money refunded even tho he may have no use for the material received.

The Philatelic Agency, I take it, was created for the sake of the collectors, not vice versa. But this latest ruling—"therefore all sales in the Agency are FINAL and no exchanges or refunds will be made"—is so drastic and unjust that it in fact renders the existence of the Agency unjustified.

The Post Office Department can not deny that the revenue from collectors is an item well worth considering. Why then should it not encourage rather than discourage stamp collecting thru a co-operative Philatelic Agency?

K. C. F.

OFF THE GRIDDLE

By Oliver Griddell

A bi-weekly bulletin of news and notes regarding action and prices on the U. S. stamp market across the nation.

This feature is published solely for interest of readers and the writer may express views with which the editor does not necessarily concur.

3c PONY EXPRESS—Still very light supply and sheet offerings have taken another slight rise to where they now stand at about eight times face. Therefore, watch the single and block prices soon.

3c EMANCIPATION—Beginning to do unexpected things and a good one to follow for the next few months.

SPA PANES Still cheap considering the current Farley trend and buyers tell us response to their offers are slim. Because of the low price don't think that this item isn't HOT.

3c WEBSTER—Funny how this keeps edging away from its Penn and Georgia companion pieces, with the difference in printing only a few 100 thousand under the Penn. Still going.

GREECE AND ALBANIA—Playing nip and tuck for the third hardest to get Flag. Poland and Korea of course are on top of the heap but Denmark is now running fifth.

SIR HUMPHREY GILBERT—Set of Newfoundland should do some steady climbing, the way the number of Br. Colonies dealers don't seem to have it.

WASHINGTON BICENTS—Looks like they finally are under way at last. Retail demand was good for some time before they started to move. Will pay to watch.

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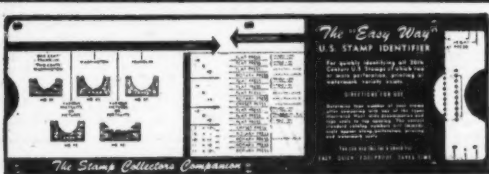
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NEW YORK NOTES

Collectors of the one cent stamp of 1851-7 can rejoice over the new chart that has just been issued which explains the troublesome types on this stamp to a degree that the Scott catalog cannot approach. It not only shows all the Scott listed types, but some which have been known to the specialists that the catalog does not list. Inasmuch as one might have what he thinks to be a common stamp which is in actuality one of the better ones, cost of the chart (\$1.00) is a modest one. The distributors are Murray Simnock & Co., 116 Nassau Street, New York 7, N.Y. Stanley B. Ashbrook, author of the famous set of books on this stamp, approved the chart, and Mortimer L. Neinken, whose collection of this stamp is perhaps the finest in the country today, supervised its make-up.

The combination of letters familiar to all printers, ETAOIN SHRDLU, which linotypers obtain by running their fingers down their machine in order to finish out a line rapidly that has an error in it, found its way into a metropolitan auction catalog this week, and was not removed in proof reading. Those who studied the catalog and came across the mysterious combination of letters must have thought that it was a new system for describing the condition of stamps. At that, it was not much more cumbersome than the code propounded two years ago by the American Philatelic Society. What ever did happen to that? We know of no auction that even attempted to

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put it to good use -- and for good reason.

A New York dealer, John Fox, has produced a clever gadget which had been off the market for some years, and which is enjoying a ready sale. It is a chrome stamp press built with such precision that it is possible to obtain incredible pressure on a stamp to remove creases and restore its freshness by simple turning of a screw handle. At one of the conventions recently, Mr. Fox was somewhat chagrined when the rumor got out that the gadget had a secret attachment for putting perforations on straight edged stamps. Of course there was no truth to the rumor, but the inquiries that Mr. Fox had immediately thereafter indicated that there might be a ready market for such a gadget. He does not however plan to produce it, being content to offer merely the stamp press. Perforating machines for philatelic purposes are thought to be illegal.

As the paper shortage becomes one of the war necessities we can soon forget, metropolitan dailies are giving their stamp pages more and more space. At the height of shortage, the space was so reduced that the advertisements were limited, but we note with pleasure that each week that passes, stamp pages expand. We hope that those happy days when entire sections can be given to our hobby will soon be with us again. It is many years, but we remember in particular the New York "SUN" which under Franklin Bruns several times printed Stamp Sections running to two or three entire pages.

The magic name of Franklin D. Roosevelt, coupled with the pulling power of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, seems to be a combination for success. We recently published two full page advertisements from two wide-awake New York firms who offered our readers material from the collection that made auction history. Stanley Gibbons offered singles and blocks from one of the original Farley sheets, and at last reports, they had had such a large response that they were almost sold out. Herman Herst, Jr. who was one of the largest buyers at the sale offered a good many identifiable items priced at from \$1 to \$300 each, and we have just learned that from this advertisement (it was not run in any other magazine) his sales have a date run to almost three thousand dollars, with orders still flowing in although on many items his entire stock is gone.

There can be no question but that an advertiser with the goods that collectors want can have all the business that he can handle if he brings it to their attention and charges prices that they feel are fair to pay. Likewise, there can be no question but that LINN'S provides the medium whereby dealer and collector can best get together.

The recent "close-down" in New York caught stamp dealers unprepared for it, and many resented the day of forced inactivity. Some walked up as many as a dozen flights to their offices to get necessary work done, and a few locked doors after them and refused to answer knocks on their doors, for it had been announced that anyone found working would be subject to \$500 fine and imprisonment. The sudden move by New York's Mayor as uncalled for and unnecessary as it was sudden, prevented several

auctions from taking place, and created untold confusion among those firms who had auctions planned for the day following recinding of the order.

One stamp dealer commented that had a tugboat strike occurred during the La Guardia administration, he would have doffed his fire hat and put on a ship captain's headpiece, and manned the tugboats himself. Even that might have been more of a solution to the problem than the one suggested by the present Mayor. A discussion among Gotham's dealers recently was on the subject of what the greatest philatelic sin was. Believe it or not, but high up on the list was the use of rubber cement to affix stamps to letters when the stamps had lost their gum. This wanton destruction of what otherwise would have been a good stamp is something that no thinking collector should do -- and yet it is surprising how much philatelic mail is received with stamps that cannot be removed from the envelope due to the use of this product.

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885	2c	Artists05	20	01
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Geo. W. Linn

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CAUGHT WITH THEIR STAMPS (going) DOWN

Now comes a letter from a Chicago party who bemoans the fact that cheap variety packets are again coming into the market from Europe. Before the war Europe, because of cheap labor cost was the workshop that produced all the large variety packets that were sold the world over. First, they had the source from which to accumulate the stamps and secondly they had a labor cost through home and peasant work that was far below what they would be made for in this country.

Even if someone had given you several barrels of stamps on paper, no American could have soaked, cleaned and sorted them and assembled them in packets and met the low European price.

It is but natural that these packets are again going to come from Europe. The war cut off the supply, but now with the people wanting work, any kind of work for a few cents per day, there is nothing that we can do about it over here except to recognize the fact and accept it as it is. But one thing can prevent this and that would be a very high tariff on stamp importations. We do believe however that even 100 per cent tariff would not prevent the material coming in here at a lower price than we could produce the packets.

Our Chicago correspondent is highly incensed at what he and she term our "economic ignorance" in permitting advertisements of these European packet makers.

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By J. F. McGee

Suppose another collector asked you to explain the "Electric-Eye" markings on the margin of U. S. stamps? Could you? For example: Why are the same markings at the sides of some stamps and at the tops and bottoms of others? Are there two rows of slugs in the vertical gutter between the panes in the sheet, and does one of these ordinarily appear on the inside margin of each pane? And what is the significance of the so-called guidelines that happen at the sides of some stamps and at the bottom or top of others?

A correspondent in South America wrote me for enlightenment on these points. Personally, I had not paid much attention to these markings, and I was uncertain about the correctness of my findings after studying the pieces of panes that I have. Therefore I sought the help of Edw. K. Stockfeld, president of the T. M. P. S.

Mr. Stockfeld is well along in plating the principal positions in each of the four panes in the sheets of the Presidential issue, and in some of the recent commemoratives. He calls this material his "Wastebasket Collection," as it has not cost him any money, and all of the stamps are nice used copies.

After discussing the positions of these marks with Mr. Stockfeld and examining his "Wastebasket Collection," I wrote my South American correspondent as follows:

All panes of U. S. postage stamps produced on the Stickney rotary press have certain printed marginal markings, whose purpose is to control and guide the device, which has been perfected for perforating between the stamps through the operation of the so-called "Electric Eye."

The cylinder of the rotary press is of the size to take two curved plates that form a sheet of four post-office panes of 100 stamps each of the size of the Presidential issue, or 70 stamps each of the size of the Famous Americans, or 50 stamps each of the size of the Army and Navy stamps. The gutters between the panes are about 10mm. wide.

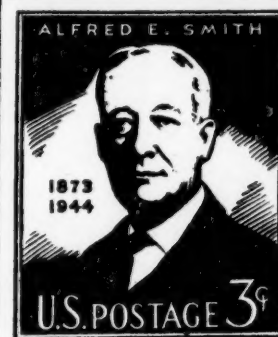
The stamps of the 50-subject panes are sometimes laid out with the length of the stamp vertically, and sometimes with the length of the stamp horizontally. In the case of the horizontal layout, the left margins of the two left panes have a row of horizontal dashes along the outer edges. These are about an inch apart.

Each of the four panes in the sheet have identical Plate Numbers. These are at the outside corners of the complete sheet.

The right margin of the right half of the sheet has one horizontal dasu as its outer edge. This is nearly opposite the horizontal gutters between the panes. This margin has no other markings except the two plate numbers.

The verticle gutter of the sheet is about 10mm. wide. This gutter contains one row of slugs (heavy printed dashes). When the large sheet is cut into four post-office panes, part of the row of slugs may appear on the inside margin of both the right and left pair of panes, or the large sheet may be severed as to leave the whole row of slugs on the inside margin of

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The subjects of the 70-stamp pane also go through the press sideways, and the marginal markings and Plate Numbers, as noted above, occur on the top and bottom margins.

The so-called guidelines are the joints of the two halves of the curved plate. These joints fill with ink and print like an engraved line would do. On the horizontal stamps this line happens on either

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STAMPIC CHATTER

By Eulalia Turner

Starting off strong then sagging into sluggishly despondent days of slow movement, the U. S. 'Flags,' after lying practically dormant for several months, suddenly have uncoiled like a striking rattlesnake and now are decidedly on the upgrade and gaining new strength daily. . . . Shortly after vanishing from the lists of the Philatelic Agency, the 'Flags' sky-rocketed to as high as \$58.50 complete mint sheets wholesale. . . . They got stuck at that elevation and couldn't shake loose so took the easiest way out and began to settle. . . . Soon they drifted down to the \$42.50 level. . . . Not so now. . . . They're gaining new energy and some of the wisenheimers see 'Flags' going at a stiff \$75 by mid-Summer. . . . Poland and Korea remain the pivotal powers of this particular set with increases being recorded everytime the 'Flag' temperature is taken.

Collectors of 'musicals' and 'maps' will turn handsprings getting into Italy's new Polish Legion set. . . . Two values of this show maps and one value carries a few bars of some little ditty serenading the Poles. . . . Czechoslovakia's newly issued 'Dove of Peace' set is going to drive collectors seeking fanciful colors very hurriedly to the nutty side of the boat. . . . As easy on the eyes as Claudette Colbert's clotheslines on washday.

For an extensive variety of life's little endeavors, Finland's new 1946 Red Cross set of four stamps will just about grab the brass ring next time around. . . . You catch on this the fishermen hauling in their nets, a milk-maid churning butter (Say, do they still make that stuff??), a harvest hand sharpening his scythe and lumberjacks using great pike-poles to shove the logs into place either on the mill-pound or trying to break up a log-jam. . . . You lumberjacks can tell me which it is!

For sheer beauty, an artistic sense of engraving and for the touch which commands instant attention instead of running around begging for it, Norway is swiftly becoming big league stuff. . . . The flash, glitter and eye-appeal on practically all recent Norge is about enough to prompt the collector who can't resist beauty to discharge the Hollywood and Vine wolf-cry everytime his eyes catches the meekest peek of a new Norge issue.

However, one word of complaint against Norway just floated in from a Chicago business man: "If they'd shaped their 1942 Quisling stamp like a cuspidor, I'd have bought a whole sheet of them. They'd come in handy at every desk in the plant for purposes you easily can guess!"

Crude: When Columbia reached down into the refuse pile for an old set and dolled it up with sketches alleged to represent Stalin, Roosevelt and Churchill, a new low in cheapness reached the market. . . . And yet the F. D. R. collection so many collectors are making since F. D. R. memorials started down the conveyor belts isn't complete without those gaudy Columbia's—unless you rule overprints out of your F. D. R. collection! . . . That's one way of getting around the things.

Having splendid popularity: Bo-

hemia and Moravia are ushering some daintily printed and colorfully arranged items upon the market and these attract instant attention when collectors catch their first peak at them. . . . Then, too, Germany, held in rather poignant scorn the first few weeks after hostilities ceased, seems to have undergone a change in the hearts of collectors. . . . Where once they grimaced bitterly and shoved Germany hurriedly aside, they now are slobbering for everything German and crying for more!

How's your 16c Farley Special Delivery Airmail imperfs coming ????. . . . Those things are taking off for the moon at a speed which makes a mere nylon rush look like a W. C. T. U. butter-milk convention being held at Sleepy-Eye, Minnesota!

A beautiful race: And getting hotter, closer and tighter every passing second is what we mean. . . . It's that dazzling Red Cross airmail out of Costa Rica rolling neck and neck with Bohemia's Mi-132 Red Cross stamp. . . . Too early in the ball game to pick the winner; they both keep vanishing from the dealer's stock as if by magic.

U. S. FINE UNUSED

In our last issue the ad of the Huber Stamp and Coin Company was incorrectly headed and should have read "U. S. Fine Unused." For the benefit of readers who may not have checked prices carefully and discovered this for themselves, one of the two Huber ads appearing in this issue presents the listings with the right heading.

Beaver County Phil. Society Open House

The spring Open House of the Beaver County Philatelic Society, APS Chapter 113 will be an event of Saturday and Sunday April 6-7 at the Broadhead Hotel, Beaver Falls, Pa. A large attendance of stamp enthusiasts from Eastern Ohio, Northern West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania is expected.

There will be a two-day exhibit of stamps and covers, opening at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon without charge to the public. A lively bourse is anticipated and reservations are being made at \$1.00 a table through Fred C. (Doc) Parker, 102 Thirteenth avenue, New Brighton, Pa.

A 6:30 o'clock banquet Saturday will be followed by entertainment, and then a session of the Visiting Firemen of Philately and a party for the ladies in attendance.

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Ceylon #289 5 rupees	.75
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C1-4	Cities Airmail	(4)	2.05
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BOLIVIA

C52-62	Air Provisionals	(11)	3.30
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GREECE

NEW:	First Winds	(6)	.70
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C99	Flags, miniature sheet of 6	\$.60
C125-6	Antigua Set	(2) .35
C128-31	October Revolution	(4) .55
NEW:	Oct. Revolution	(1) .10
NEW:	Same miniature sh.	(1) .60
NEW:	Palace Airmail	(1) .18

HAITI

NEW:	Roosevelt Memorial Airs	(2) .31
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HONDURAS

C18-19	Provisional Airs	(2) .55
C84	U. S. Constitution Anniv.	(1) .50
SAN: 26D	"R" of "Aereo" omitted	(1) 4.25
SAN: 38	50c on 25c on 1P. green	(1) .90
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C49-61	Pictorials	(13) 15.00

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See LINN'S of Nov. 8, 1945, page 3, MEKEL'S of February 4 and 18,
AIRPOST JOURNAL for December 1945 and others.

We first learned of this flight thru an item in the Boston Sunday
GLOBE of October 21st. Arrangements were hurriedly completed with an
agent in Newfoundland and in London thru the medium of the telephone
and cables. Covers were franked with the required postage, 30c to London
and 15c to Newfoundland and mailed to these agents.

On their return to us (not until January for the ones from London)
we imprinted them with a very attractive special cachet drawn for us
by Ken Boll. No official cachet was provided either by the airline or the U. S.
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EGYPT—A souvenir sheet of four
stamps appeared recently to
commemorate the 80th an-
niversary of the first Egyptian
stamp. Taken in the sequence
of their face value and not their
position in the block, the stamps
are: 1m. plus 1m., first Egyptian
stamp; 17m. plus 17m., King
Fuad; 10m., plus 10m., Khedive
Ismail Pasha; and 22m. plus
22m., the present King Farouk.
These stamps, it is stated, ap-
peared in singles and in sou-
venir sheet form.

GERMANY OCCUPATION—Semi-
Postals. A new series of four
charity stamps "For the Needs
of the People" and "Solidarity
of the People," has been issued.
The stamps have a single design
showing a circle of small work-
ing figures surrounding the num-
eral of value. Denominations are
3pf. plus 2pf. olive brown; 6pf.
plus 4pf. lavender; 12pf. plus 6pf.
red; 40pf. plus 30pf. red violet.
Another set, from Mecklenburg
—Upper Pomerania consists of
three child welfare stamps in
three designs: 6pf. plus 14pf. red
orange, infant in hand; 8pf. plus
22pf. ultramarine, a little girl;
and 12pf. plus 28pf. red, a boy's
head. A set of two semi-postals
for Saxony are the 6pf. plus
4pf. green showing the recon-
struction of a home, and a 12pf.
plus 8pf. red, depicting recon-
struction of a bridge.

Greece—A double impression of
the red brown portion of the
30dr Roosevelt stamp has been
reported.

HUNGARY—Overprint. One of
the many recent overprints due
to inflation (now 800,000 pango
to the dollar) is a 60 pengo on
10.

HYDERABAD—Commemorative.
A1 anna blue commemorative
stamp for Victory has been re-
leased, inscribed "Victory Com-
memoration" and shows an In-
dian soldier returning from the
wars and being welcomed by his
family.

LUXEMBURG—The four-stamp
charity set issued Dec. 20 to aid
Luxembourg war victims, has
now appeared in a souvenir
sheet with marginal borders of
oak leaves and acorns, and the
inscription: "Le Grand-Duché de
Luxembourg a ses Heros et
Martys." The inscription on the
lowest value (2:50 plus 2:50f)
does not give the names of the
three young men pictured, as

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MEXICO—Commemorative. A
small sized 8c black stamp hon-
ors the founder of the Mexican
postal system in 1580, and pic-
tures him in impressive robes
and a tall cap which might be
ecclesiastical. His name, though
inscribed on the stamp, is so
small and so blurrily printed
that it is illegible, but it is be-
lieved to be Dr. Martinez En-
riques Irrigoya.

NETHERLANDS—Two additions
to the Wilhelmina set are the
60c, dark brown and the 50c.
which completes the present ad-
ditions.

POLAND—Postage. Two imper-
forate large size stamps show
pictures before and after of the
city hall and the post office.
Values are: 3.50 ZL green and 6
ZL gray black. Stamps picture
two scenes, one from 1939, and
one from 1945.

SAN MARINO—Postage. Two
new denominations have been
added to the 1945 coat-of-arms
set: 3-lire dark blue, arms of
Fiorentino, and 25-lire henna
brown and ultramarine, arms of
Montegiardino. The 20-lire arms
of Serravalle has been reissued
in new colors—brown and deep
ultramarine.

RUSSIA—Commemorative. Three
high-value stamps again honor
Russian mothers, featuring the
same medals as used before ex-
cept that the stamps are deeper
vertically and of new denomina-
tions, specifically 1R. brown-
black on gray; 2R. blue on blu-
ish paper, and 3R. red on bluish.
A set of two stamps honor
Friedrich Engels (1820-95) who
collaborated with Karl Marx in
his writings. Denominations of
these stamps are 30K. brown, and
60K. dark green. Another set to
honor Artillery Day consists of
2 stamps. Values are: 30K. dark
brown, Red artilleryman stand-
ing between two large guns, and
60K. sepia, a row of heavy guns
in a public square.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA—A
1d orange and black stamp was
issued in December to aid the
victims of tuberculosis. Print-
ings are in African and English.

South Afrikanders Pan Victory Stamps In Newspaper Items

The following clippings from
South African Newspapers speak
in plain language and show that
collectors have an interest in the
issue of attractive stamps.

Poor Victory Stamps
From BERTRAM W. DUMBLE-
TON (Rondebosch):

Who is responsible for the
frightful atrocities we call our
postage stamps, of which the
latest victory stamps are the
crowning example? Years ago
this country gave birth to the
fine design of the Cape Triangu-
lar, which has always been one
of the glamorous stamps of his-
tory. It was followed by others,
which if less spectacular were at
least designed by people who
could draw. During the last 30
years our designs have steadily
deteriorated, alternating between
poor imitations of old designs,
and even poorer originals with
bad drawing and cheap vulgar
colour. The stamps in present
use are reproduced from paint-
ings, which is just another side-
stepping from real stamp design.
Now consider the two penny

"Victory." The weak little oxen
are doing their best to lean out
of the side of the picture quite
beyond the control of the "de-
signer." The center of the pic-
ture which should be the most
interesting part is almost empty,
and the dull rheumatic gent on
the left is about to push his face
into the handle of the plow. The
landscape background is remis-
iscent of those hand-painted
scenic abortions which are found
in fifth-rate junk shops.

The threepenny is even worse.
Here, apparently, we have a
couple of film stars trying to
look interesting and merely suc-
man's sloping forehead is an-
atomically peculiar if not
criminal, and the lady has been
shorn of her "perm." She might
even be chewing his ear. In fact,
it seems that when the stamp de-
signer tries to fly into allegory
he merely descends to imbecility.

Finally the lettering, especially
the A. F. R. is badly spaced.
Why is the production of our
stamps in the hands of people
who are so utterly amateurish?
Why does South Africa have to
publish its lack of taste by post-
ing this rubbish all over the
world? Finally why isn't the
public allowed a voice in the
selection of its stamp designs by
open public competition?

Designs Disappointing
From G. TAUBER (Fish Hoek):

The illustrations of the new
stamps as they appear are rather
disappointing, and none of the
designs suggest Victory. The
first represents a gentleman
skiing on a heap of potatoes out
of which a few asparagus stalks
are visible, the second, an over-
tired labourer trying to push a
plough whilst his oxen remain
stationary, and the third, a
couple of lunatics looking no-
where although there is a star
which would make anyone cock-
eyed. Surely something less
ridiculous and more appropriate
could have been turned out.

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A brand new series of postage stamp investment guides which tell which stamps are increasing or decreasing in value and to what degree, has been announced by the Philately Company of 154 Nassau St., New York City.

In a statement recently issued to the press, Ariel A. Tiger, general manager of the company said: "Since it is natural and human for people to want to get the most for their money, this series of books have been designed to help them do just that. Why should a collector buy stamps now which he can also buy ten years from today at today's prices?"

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The first group of investment guides to be issued includes: The Semi-Postals of Germany, France, Belgium, and Netherlands, each



country in a separate book. Also available will be Antigua, Mauritius, Malta and the Airmails of Germany. April will see a new group of guides including the Commemoratives of the United States.

The guides, which will also be made available through leading stamp dealers at \$1 per copy, are magnificently designed and printed in color. The exhaustive research which these books represent, are easily an important contribution to stamp collecting and to every philatelic library.

"I wish to make clear," added Mr. Tiger, "that these books are

called 'investment guides' only because stamp collecting as a hobby, offers the greatest turn-back of any hobby, not to speak of its limitless pleasures. Certainly we do not wish to encourage the idea of postage stamps as a monetary investment or speculation opportunity."

"The Philately Company has been engaged in the stamp Business only as an aid to its philatelic research. By the 15th of March the company expects to have liquidated its stock completely and so devote its entire facilities to the research necessary for the publishing of these guides."

Merchant Marine Stamp Best Of Set

After a bit of practice in making a series of stamps honoring the various branches of the Armed Services, our Post Office Department has succeeded in turning out at least a couple good looking and well designed stamps.

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These latter two stamps never should have been issued as they are, for both are certainly very poor examples of the use of judgement in stamp designing.

Now that this series is through as planned we can look forward to stamps of various kinds which are coming over the horizon. The Discharge Emblem stamp has been promised, a Tennessee stamp is promised, we know there is quite a bit of agitation for a Coal stamp and the fiftieth anniversary of Rural Free Delivery Mail Service certainly should not be overlooked.

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More and more words seem to be spoken between collectors, at club meetings, and the like and even when just a couple settle down for talk about stamps, about topical collections.

With the high number of general issues of stamps of the world collectors with limited time or funds just have to draw the line somewhere, and undoubtedly that explains partial popularity of topical collections.

However, another factor influencing this popularity must be credited to the collections themselves. I have had the pleasure of seeing several extremely nice ones during the past few months and, indeed, anyone gazing on these carefully gathered, neatly mounted collections could not help but share the owner's pride and pleasure while turning the pages.

One that particularly interested me was a collection of flag stamps of the world. Containing only about 200 varieties, these ranged from the large flag centers on our own recent overruns nations series to some of the older yet inexpensive South American issues showing only a tiny flag little larger than a pinpoint at the top of the shaft in the central design. As to monetary value no one could be very greatly impressed, but as a source of pleasure and interest, when one imagined the thrill of the owner sorting through a large lot and finding a new flag stamp to add to the album, it certainly had appeal.

Grains, fruits, animals, various issues portraying the state of liberty, and many other topical subjects have been discussed from time to time as suitable material for the topical collection. Two interesting ones of which we have heard but haven't seen are those (1) portraying groups of humans and (2) stamps inspired by the air age, but not falling in the category of airmail stamps. The latter includes our own 2c and 5c Aeronautics Conference issue.

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From the above the reader should not form the opinion that we are brushing off lightly the possibility of forming topical collections of stamps bearing individual portraits. As a whole the group undoubtedly would be too large, although one may be somewhere in existence, but we are thinking now rather of specialized portrait collections. Dealers in British Colonies tell us there is an unprecedented demand at this time for those bearing the likenesses of George V and George VI, so you see this idea is not merely ours alone. Adhesives bearing the likeness of our late president, Franklin D. Roosevelt, certainly are going to be housed in special albums or special pages in albums devoted to this purpose alone.

With the general issues rapidly swelling new volumes of album and catalog pages, the specialized airmail collector is being joined by his fellow philatelists who collect only new issues, exclusively semi-postals, etc., as well as those who are finding fun from their hobby in so vast a variety of topical collections that no one can tell where the field will stop but only conjecture on this vast field of specialization in the future.

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Dr. H. K. Thompson, Dean H. E. Lobdell, Augustus H. Kiusalas and Stephen C. Lyon represented the collectors in the Boston area and are actively engaged in completing arrangements for the Congress. It was decided to hold it earlier than usual, probably the latter part of October or early November, the date to be determined by the ability to secure Hotel accommodations.

Dr. Thompson was General Chairman of the Seventh Congress held in Boston in 1941, at the Statler Hotel. Dean Lobdell is connected with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is a member of the Congress Council.

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Third Assistant Postmaster General.

A Towering Structure

by C. Ellis Milbury
Philately, often called the Grandest of hobbies may be likened to a great structure. Its foundations the solid old stamp classics of years gone by. Its great walls the progressive stamp issues that followed. Its roofs the myriad of present day stamp issues of the world which in their enormity tend to over-balance the whole. It is our structure for we have helped build it, and as sincere adherents of the hobby which it symbolizes, it prevails upon us to exert our concerted effort to keep it in good repair.

To do this we must be ever alert to influences that would make its foundation less staunch. Its walls less solid, and we must therefore learn to recognize those who would endanger it as racketeers of Philately who like lowly termites working in darkness would reduce its stout supporting girders to powder.

Racketeers of Philately not only extract their annual toll of millions of dollars but leave among those whom they victimize impressions that reflect upon Philately as just a gigantic racket

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wherein the chances of a stamp collector getting anywhere are so discouraging as to make it handy worth the try. While this might be the natural reaction of one who had been victimized, it is an unfair view to take of the great hobby in general, because it must be realized that often it is he, the Philatelist who unwittingly gives aid and comfort to the racketeer through his lack of knowledge and caution in acquiring portions of his Philatelic material.

Is it not better for the stamp collector and for Philately in general that facts be revealed that impart a measure of caution to him in his pursuit of the hobby and to thereby assist him in guarding his stamp buying habits, thus rendering it a little more difficult for the faker or the unscrupulous dealer to exist?

To some of those prominent figures within the world of Philately who would stick their own heads in the sand in the manner of an ostrich at the same time expecting the average stamp collector to go about with his head in the clouds I would say that surely this cannot be considered as running true to good Philatelic form. Why ignore the rackets and hide them from those who by reason of their inexperience unwittingly pay tribute to and innocently abet those who sully the greatest of hobbies to serve their own selfishness and dishonesty? Would it not be of far greater benefit to Philately to openly expose every known trick of the faker and thus guide his potential victim along a lighted highway where the hazards are plainly revealed. Is it fair to permit him to journey in the darkness when we who have traveled the self-same hazardous way know it to be gutted or strewn with rocks?

I am sure not, and am therefore unwilling to countenance any views wherein soft pedaling or appeasement of illicit activities may be considered in order or in any manner helpful to philately. Occasionally a week-kneed assertion comes to me from some influential stamp supply source to effect "that disclosure of cold truths reflecting upon the less honorable side of philately tend to discourage rather than encourage the budding philatelist." And my reaction is to effect it surely cannot be unreasonable to assume that a stamp collector fore-armed with knowledge of prevailing forms of exploitation and fakery is more apt to experience a sense of security and encouragement in his pursuit of philately than if he were unarmed and at the mercy of those who would exploit him.

Every real philatelist contributes his part in the building or the rebuilding of the great philatelic structure, and in so doing it is by far best that he learn at an early stage to recognize those building materials that are unfitted or unworthy of use, more important he must learn to recognize the purveyors of these materials that he may avoid them when in need of more. Thus to begin with it is well that he seek his supply source among those dealers who by reason of recognized integrity, justly merit his patronage.

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Interest In Rural Free Delivery Stamp Becoming Nation-Wide

Since the publication of our story proposing a Rural Free Delivery stamp to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of this great arm of the postal service, interest is being shown in several sections of the country.

Sun Prairie, Wisconsin has put in a claim for earliest establishment of Rural Free Delivery Service, claiming the first route out of that point on November 17, 1896. The claimants are confused however for in making this claim they state that either Sun Prairie or a town in Virginia had the first route.

Confused is right because as published in our story of February 21st, it was a town in West Virginia and not Virginia and the Government records credit the establishment of the service to the first delivery out of Charlestown which was the home of the then Postmaster General William L. Wilson. The date was October 1st, thus beating the Sun Prairie claim by several weeks.

Another claimant for recognition in connection with a first day issue of such a stamp is made by Jones R. Arnold, Postmaster of Thomson, Georgia who asks for first day sale at his post office. Postmaster Jones writes as follows:

I am delighted to see your article in front page of Issue of Feb. 21 1946 in reference to Commemorative stamp for Rural Free Delivery Service. For several years through Congressman Paul Brown of Georgia I have been interested in seeing this stamp brought out. Thomas E. Watson of this city, THOMSON, GA. is the father of Rural Free Delivery. My suggestion was to bring out a stamp in his honor (Senator Thomas E. Watson) as the founder of Rural Free Delivery. I think the officials in Washington will verify that Senator Watson is credited with having passed the first appropriation for this service. Naturally I am interested in seeing this office, Thomson, Ga., have the First day sales of this suggested stamp as this is the home of Senator Thomas E. Watson.

Dr. Joern Olshauen Wins Grand Award At Wayne Stamp Society Exhibit

Dr. Joern Olshauen won the Grand Award for his Beautiful exhibit of his U.S. stamps at the Wayne Stamp Society 19th Annual Exhibition, Feb. 16-17, Detroit. Charles Johnson won the SPA Research Award on his stamps of Finland.

Floyd Warner and Rowland Brooks were 2nd and 3rd in the U.S. group.

Leo Smerza was 1st in the Foreign group with his Czechoslovakia's, Charles Johnson, 2nd, and Brace Hollon, 3rd for his Belgium stamps.

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There could be no better evidence that the popularity of contemporary covers is well deserved, than the fact that the nation's No. 1 collector gave them a high place among his philatelic specialties. Covers postmarked on first day of issue of a new stamp, on the first

day of the opening of a new post office, on the first day of a new air mail flight, or on the date of a battleship launching, were obviously considered by the late President to be of historic interest, and philatelic value.

Franklin D. Roosevelt's cover albums clearly reflect the increasing general interest in recent covers. The example set by the late President will probably have much to do with stimulating interest in all kinds of current covers. If a First Day of Issue cover or a First Day of a new Post Office is good enough for the Roosevelt collection, it is good enough for the average collector. In passing, it may be noted that the quantities of each of the four Roosevelt stamps on First Day covers, came close to the half million mark. This is a tribute not only to Mr. Roosevelt, but to one of his pet specialties.

The bidders at the auction of the Roosevelt collection were well aware of the added value of the covers. One single 3c. Newburg First Day cover of 1933, addressed to the president, which was the first cover mailed with a stamp issued during Roosevelt's administration, brought \$80. One large parchment bearing two sheets of the 10c. Mark Twain stamp of 1940, canceled on First Day of Issue at Hannibal, Mo., brought \$90.

Most of the First Day Covers in the sale of the Roosevelt collection were from 1933 to 1945, during his administration. The mixed lots brought about \$5 to \$12 per cover. The average was somewhat higher of course for the sets. Among the gems of the sale were complete sets of the Presidential series, the Famous Americans, and the Flags. One lot consisted of the 35 Famous Americans in plate number blocks of four, on White House envelopes, addressed to the President, certainly a set that would be tops in any cover collection. Another outstanding lot was the President's complete collection of Post Office Dedica-

tion covers, all from 1934 to 1942, addressed to the President at the White House, and most of them with autographs of Postmasters and other Post Office officials. These covers can be considered as of an official nature, commemorating Post Office openings during Roosevelt's administration. They were prized by him, as they were carefully mounted in a separate album, arranged by dates.

Other lots of covers included battleship cancellations, one lot of which brought \$450. A lot of First Flight covers from 1934 to 1942 brought \$400.

Collectors who wanted only a few covers as souvenirs, from the Roosevelt collection, had little chance to get these at the auction. The lots went mostly to dealers, or to representatives of cover clubs who were at the sale in the interests of their members. Dealers have been offering separate covers at retail, at prices up to \$20 per cover.

Most cover collectors will of course try to get at least one cover from the famous collection. Such covers, to be of most value, should of course be addressed to the President, and should have a backstamp guarantee by H. R. Harmer, who auctioned the collection.

George Washington
And His Artists

The Bicentennial set of U. S. Postage stamps gives a very good example of the subject of the lecture recently given by Dr. Lyndon Babcock who gave his illustrated lecture on "George Washington and His Artists" at the Ferndale (Mich.) Stamp Club, Wednesday, February 20th at the Lincoln High School. After which, the newly elected Ferndale officers for 1946 were installed: President, Trafton C. Smith; Vice President, Judson B. Cornwell; Secretary, Dean Parsons; Treasurer, Jack Marshall.

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'Feeble Peace Stamps' Say Aussie Papers Concerning New Set

We here in America are not the only ones who take an interest in the kind of postage stamps that are provided by our Government. A clipping at hand from Sgt. Terry McCrae from Down Under, pictures the new set and at the same time carries a cartoon picture scoring the new set of stamps that are before the public.

Let us quote Clive Turnbull, newspaper columnist who takes some pot shots at the new Australian set. Says Turnbull, "There is a gloomy satisfaction in finding that the new Commonwealth peace stamps, to be issued next month, are as lamentable as one had feared they would be—feared, because of the long series of third-rate stickers which have been turned out for the Commonwealth of Australia."

Compounded of sterile clichés—laurel wreaths, stars, doves, angels—unimaginative and totally lacking any conception worthy of the occasion and of Australia, these are perhaps the poorest Commonwealth stamps to date, which is saying something. The designs are:—

2 1/2d. (red).—A seven-pointed star labelled Australia, surrounded by a laurel wreath and throwing off rays, the whole carrying the word "Peace." The star and wreath are apparently the official crest of the Commonwealth, in which case the sooner we get another one the better.

3 1/2d. (blue).—The Australian flag and what is presumably a dove, the whole surmounted by the word "Peace." Some more of the good old Australian laurel appears as a border. For what it is worth this is the best design of the three.

5 1/2d. (green).—An angel (female) with the word "Peace" in smaller letters across her midriff, the Southern Cross and, at the foot, a woman with a child and a man in overalls with a cogwheel, facing one another. This one is short on laurel, but the angel is bearing palm leaves to make up for it.

At first glance these stamps are reminiscent of the florid issues turned out by Balkan States before the First World War, principally for the benefit of small boy collectors, although it is doubtful whether even they were quite as lacking in all native inspiration. They simply do not measure up. In a world showing of stamps they go pretty close to the bottom. What we obviously need is a strong design without fiddling and without wornout symbols which are merely space-fillers,

something which will be striking, aesthetically pleasing and, at the same time, evocative of Australia. It is ridiculous to say that we, alone, are incapable of producing worthy stamps. If our best artists are not interested in this kind of design then—unhappy confession—we shall have to go abroad. But has any real attempt been made to seek out an Australian designer, a man with the qualities which were possessed by, say, Eric Gill? Many people are not willing to waste their time in competitions which usually result in a compromise on mediocrity.

NO LAURELS

When we found such a designer we might say "Probably it's unnecessary to mention it, but we'd rather not have any laurels, ears of wheat, palms, stars, cogwheels, acanthus, fluted columns and such. We can do without those."

It is useless for the Government to contend that stamp designing is some mystical art, to be performed only by some special kind of craftsman. If the right artist hasn't been found perhaps he hasn't been looked for. One could suggest half-a-dozen people who, if willing, could surely do the job.

Ever since the Commonwealth began to produce stamps, replacing the often pleasant issues of the States, it has been subject to criticism and warranted criticism as anyone can see for himself. Some form of bureaucratic or politic obstinacy seems to pre-

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804 3c Delaware	.15	950 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	888 10c Artists	3.00	.75
805 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	951 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	889 1c Inventor	.12	.03
806 3c Northwest	.15	952 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	890 2c Inventor	.15	.04
807 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	953 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	891 3c Inventor	.30	.08
808 3c Iowa	.15	954 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	892 5c Inventor	.80	.20
809 3c Golden Gate	.15	955 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	893 10c Inventor	4.00	1.00
810 3c N. Y. Fair	.15	956 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	Complete set of 35	27.00	6.75
811 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	957 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	GLASSINE ENVELOPES		
812 3c Inauguration	.15	958 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	Style	Size	per 100
813 3c Baseball	.15	959 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	#1	1 1/2 x 2 1/4 inches	.25
814 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	960 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	#2	2 1/2 x 3 1/4 inches	.27
815 3c Canal Zone	.20	961 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	#3	2 1/2 x 4 1/4 inches	.34
816 3c Printng	.15	962 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	#4	3 1/2 x 4 1/4 inches	.40
817 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	963 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	#5	3 1/2 x 6 inches	.50
818 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	964 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	#6	3 1/2 x 6 1/4 inches	.60
819 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	965 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	GENERAL FOREIGN		
820 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	966 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	We solicit your want list of General		
821 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	967 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	Foreign mint or used. References please.		
822 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	968 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07	A nice line of Air Mails on hand.		
823 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	969 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07			
824 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	970 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07			
825 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	971 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07			
826 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	972 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07			
827 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	973 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07			
828 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	974 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07			
829 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	975 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07			
830 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	976 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07			
831 3c Wash. D. C.	.15	977 Wash. D. C.	.15	.35	.07			